## **ABSTRACT**

The Delaware Department of Transportation (DelDOT) proposes to undertake a replacement of Bridge 463, which carries Paddock Road (County Road 30) over Corks Point Ditch in Blackbird Hundred, New Castle County. At the request of DelDOT, Louis Berger & Associates, Inc. (Berger), conducted architectural investigations as part of the preliminary planning for the proposed replacement. The purpose of the investigations was to identify architectural resources within the area of potential effect (APE) that are currently listed in or eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places.

A review of Delaware State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) files identified one previously inventoried architectural resource, the John C. Spear Farmstead (N-6315), located within the APE for the proposed replacement. The architectural field survey found no other architectural resources more than 50 years old located within the APE. A Delaware SHPO Cultural Resource Survey (CRS) Update inventory form was prepared for the Spear Farmstead. Because it lacks architectural distinction or important historical associations, the Spear Farmstead does not meet the criteria for National Register eligibility.